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To: SR 520 Bridge SDEIS

Subject: 520 Bridge Replacement Comment

April 7, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

I-228-001

This letter is to comment on the proposed placement of the on and off ramps that will be east of the Montlake Interchange and are part of Option A+ for the replacement of the 520 Bridge. The current 520 Bridge ramps feed into Lake Washington Boulevard as it exits the Arboretum. The new plan has them located at the end of Roanoke Street. This is not an improvement, as the vast majority of users are those who go to and come from the South through the Arboretum. The new placement will encourage traffic to divert through the neighborhood to access the new ramps. Not only is this disruptive for the neighborhood, it is not safe as there are many children in the area.

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We believe that the best plan for the 520 Bridge Replacement Project is **Option A**. If Plan A+ is adopted we feel the ramps should stay where they are presently located. The Montlake neighborhood is a vibrant neighborhood and should be considered in the plans to replace the 520 Bridge.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter

Sincerely,

John and Francie Williams Montlake Neighbors

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Comment noted. WSDOT received a number of comments in support of and in opposition to Options A, K, and L and the associated suboptions. These opinions are summarized in the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement Summary of Comments (WSDOT, April 2010), available at

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WSDOT has and will continue to coordinate with communities throughout design and construction of the project.